

Table 7. Land Use: 1997, 1992, and 1987

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

All farms	1997	Percent of total in 1997	1992	1987
Farms	20 189	100.0	20 242	20 517
Land in farms	4 593 452	100.0	4 472 569	4 758 631
Total cropland	17 514	86.8	18 037	18 578
Harvested cropland	2 462 818	53.6	2 588 525	2 686 117
Farms by acres harvested:	13 426	66.5	14 587	15 556
1 to 49 acres	1 654 535	36.0	1 590 794	1 589 636
1 to 9 acres	8 858	43.9	9 758	10 366
10 to 19 acres	2 800	13.9	3 374	3 490
20 to 29 acres	2 562	12.7	2 773	3 008
30 to 49 acres	1 698	8.4	1 787	1 865
50 to 99 acres	1 798	8.9	1 824	2 003
100 to 199 acres	1 749	8.7	1 855	1 927
200 to 499 acres	1 096	5.4	1 193	1 342
500 to 999 acres	911	4.5	999	1 160
1,000 acres or more	448	2.2	474	526
1,000 to 1,999 acres	364	1.8	308	235
2,000 acres or more	279	1.4	244	198
2,000 acres or more	85	.4	64	37
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing	9 189	45.5	9 035	8 471
Other cropland	508 887	11.1	512 811	464 355
Cropland in cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured	5 339	26.4	6 941	8 282
Cropland on which all crops failed	299 396	6.5	484 920	632 126
Cropland in cultivated summer fallow	1 501	7.4	1 806	1 507
Cropland idle	65 808	1.4	89 437	75 303
farms	875	4.3	1 375	1 649
acres	26 350	.6	48 711	43 589
farms	330	1.6	602	487
acres	13 491	.3	28 150	22 010
farms	3 648	18.1	5 013	6 449
acres	193 747	4.2	318 622	491 224
Total woodland	13 150	65.1	12 970	12 736
Woodland pastured	1 620 282	35.3	1 431 055	1 508 004
Woodland not pastured	5 754	28.5	6 074	6 510
farms	293 901	6.4	350 073	364 377
acres	10 193	50.5	9 668	9 293
farms	1 326 381	28.9	1 080 982	1 143 627
acres	3 328	16.5	3 480	4 425
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured	244 352	5.3	280 228	325 310
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc.	12 114	60.0	11 207	12 424
Land under Conservation Reserve or Wetlands Reserve Programs ¹	266 000	5.8	172 761	239 200
farms	2 811	(X)	1 775	688
acres	218 211	(X)	125 229	45 106

¹Data for 1987 are for Conservation Reserve Program only.